

STATE OF NEW YORK

5736

2019-2020 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 14, 2019

Introduced by Sen. BENJAMIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Codes

AN ACT to amend the criminal procedure law and the correction law, in relation to notifying individuals in pre-trial detention of their right to vote

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 210.15 of the criminal procedure law is amended by
2 adding a new subdivision 4 to read as follows:

3 4. The court shall inform the defendant, if such individual is eigh-
4 teen years of age or over, of his or her right to vote while held for
5 pre-trial detention, in accordance with paragraph (b) of subdivision one
6 of section five hundred-a of the correction law, in a local correctional
7 facility.

8 § 2. The correction law is amended by adding a new section 510 to read
9 as follows:

10 § 510. Notice of voting; pre-trial detention. All local correctional
11 facilities shall post information regarding voting eligibility for indi-
12 viduals charged with a crime, committed for trial and examination and
13 detained until such trial and examination occurs, in a location easily
14 accessible by all such individuals.

15 § 3. This act shall take effect on the ninetieth day after it shall
16 have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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